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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL (37 CFR. § 1.53(b))

(Continuation, Divisional or Continuation-in-part application)

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Sir: This is a request for filing a patent application under 37 CFR. § 1.53(b) in the name of inventors:

**Michel Sayag** 

For: LIGHT STIMULATING AND COLLECTING METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR STORAGE-PHOSPHOR IMAGE PLATES

This application is a Continuation Divisional Continuation-in-part of prior Application No.: 09/887,543, which also claims priority from U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/257,622, from which priority under 35 U.S.C. §120 is claimed.

The specification has been amended to claim priority from the parent application, or such amendment is included in a separate sheet.

## **Application Elements:**

52 Pages of Specification, Claims and Abstract
26 Sheets of formal Drawings
Declaration
Newly executed

Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d) for a continuation or divisional). The entire disclosure of the prior application from which a copy of the declaration is herein supplied is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

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<u>Deletion of inventors</u> Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s)

named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).

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